COMMEMORATING THE WEST OAHU LITTLE LEAGUE TEAM FOR WINNING THE 2005 LITTLE LEAGUE WORLD SERIES

Mr. FRIST. I ask unanimous consent the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 248, submitted earlier today by Senator AKAKA.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows: A resolution (S. Res. 248) commemorating the West Oahu Little League Team for winning the 2005 Little League World Series.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. AKAKA. Mr. President, I rise today in support of resolutions congratulating the Ewa Beach little league team, the Oahu all-star team, and the Hawaii Warriors on their world championships. All three teams recently persevered through difficult competition to become world champions.

The Ewa Beach little leaguers competed in the Little League World Series held in Williamsport, PA. The team posted an impressive 7–6 win in the championship game, in which they came from three runs down to defeat the defending championship team from Curação in extra innings

The Oahu all-stars participated in the Cal Ripken World Series tournament held in Aberdeen, MD. In the championship game, the team used three pitchers to combine for a one hit shut-out as they prevailed by a score of 1–0 over the reigning champs, a very talented team from Mexico. A special congratulations to Kewby Meyer for being named Most Outstanding Player of the series.

The Hawaii Warriors won the 2005 Continental Amateur Baseball Association World Series, ages 9 and under. The team battled from behind in the final innings to win the championship game and complete the series with a perfect 9-0 record.

I am proud not only of the impressive wins but also of the humility and sportsmanship that the teams displayed as they won with aloha. All the teams represented the State of Hawaii, and the United States, very well.

I recognize the sacrifices many family members and friends made to support the teams. These young men were able to enjoy the athletic competitions because of their loving and caring families. I applaud these families' efforts and wish all the players and their families the best in future endeavors.

I look forward to hearing more about the success of our little leaguers as they continue to pursue their education and baseball ambitions. I also want to recognize all of the contributions from a Brookings Institution fellow in my office. Bill Ferraro.

I ask unanimous consent the Teams' rosters be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

WEST OAHU LITTLE LEAGUE, EWA BEACH, HAWAII TEAM ROSTER

#1, Layson Aliviado, 1B, P; #5, Harrison Kam, CF; #11, Ty Tirpak, RF; #12, Zachary Ramit, LF; #15, Ethan Javier, CF; #17, Vonn Feao, 3B, C; #18, Quentin Guevara, P, RF; #20, Sheyne Baniaga, P, 2B; #21, Michael Memea, C; #22, Zachary Rosete, LF; #24, Myron Enos, P, SS; #25, Alakai Aglipay, P, 3B. Coach: Tyron Kitashima. Coach: Clit Tirpak. Manager: Layton Aliviado.

OAHU ALL-STARS TEAM ROSTER

#0, Kalani Lagoc-Crawford, P, OF; #2, Jake Fujimoto, SS, OF; #5, Wilkins Kato, OF, 1B; #6, Ryan Yamane, OF, P; #7, Timmy Arakawa, SS; #11, Cory Quiamzon, OF; #14, Kash Kalohelani, C; #21, Joe Yokoi, 2B, OF; #22, Dylan Goto, 2B, OF; #23, Chris Sekiguchi, OF; #25, Ryan Cortez, 3B; #34, Jordan Deponte, 2B, P; #50, Kewby Meyer, 1B, P; #51, Gavin Okada, 2B, OF. Coach: Keith Oda. Asst. Coach: Staphe Fujimoto. Manager: Gerald Oda.

HAWAII WARRIORS TEAM ROSTER

Brett Choy, Chansen Fukushima, Joshua Inaba, Joshua Inouye, Ried Kimura, Seth Kinel, Luke Morris, Cal Muramaru, Sean Romo, Ryan Sato, Larry Tuileta. Coach, Paul Wallrabenstein III. Asst. Coach, Randy Inaba. Asst. Coach, Ricky Inouye. Asst. Coach, Dunn Muramaru. Asst. Coach, Paul Wallrabenstein, Jr.

Mr. FRIST. I ask unanimous consent the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate, and that any statements be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 248) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 248

Whereas on August 28, 2005, the West Oahu Little League Team from Ewa Beach, Hawaii, won the 2005 Little League Baseball World Series Championship;

Whereas the Ewa Beach team defeated the defending champions Curacao, 7-6, in a dramatic, come-from-behind victory in only the second extra-inning championship game in the history of the Little League World Series:

Whereas the victory marked the first Little League World Series championship for the State of Hawaii;

Whereas manager Layton Aliviado had the ability to instill 12 boys from Ewa Beach with the confidence and skills needed to remain focused and fight back to win after falling behind;

Whereas the team hit 13 home runs during the 6 game tournament, including 3 in the championship game victory;

Whereas the champions hit at least 1 home run in every tournament game, with Vonn Feao knocking out a tournament high 4, Michael Memea and Alakai Aglipay each hit 3, Sheyne Baniaga hit 2 (including the game winner in the United States semifinal), and Quentin Guevara hit 1;

Whereas Michael Memea's game-ending homer was a first in the history of the Little League championship game; and

Whereas all of the team's players showed tremendous dedication throughout the season and the tournament toward the goal of winning the World Championship and displayed great class and sportsmanship in victory: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) commends the West Oahu Little League Team from Ewa Beach for winning the 2005 Little League Baseball World Series Championship;

(2) recognizes the achievements of all the team's players, coaches, and support staff, and invites them to the United States Capitol to be honored:

(3) urges the President to-

(A) recognize the achievements of the West Oahu Little League Team from Eva Beach; and

(B) invite the team to the White House for an appropriate ceremony honoring a world championship team; and

(4) directs the Secretary of the Senate to—
(A) make available enrolled copies of this resolution to the West Oahu Little League Team for appropriate display.

COMMEMORATION OF THE OAHU ALL-STARS AND THE HAWAII WARRIORS

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of S. Res. 249, which was submitted earlier today by Senator AKAKA.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 249) commemorating the Oahu All-Stars for winning the 2005 Cal Ripken World Series and the Hawaii Warriors for winning the 2005 Continental Amateur Baseball Association World Series, ages 9-under.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate, and that any statements relating to this measure be printed in the RECORD.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 249) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 249

Whereas on August 21, 2005, the Oahu All-Stars won the 2005 Cal Ripken World Series; Whereas the team from Oahu worked together in the 1 hit shutout title game to beat the series reigning champs, Team Mexico;

Whereas the manager and coaching staff, Gerald Oda, Keith Oda, and Staphe Fujimoto, respectively, had the ability to instill 14 boys from Oahu with the confidence and skills needed to succeed in a world competition;

Whereas Kewby Meyer was named the Most Outstanding Player in the series;

Whereas Kewby Meyer, Timmy Arakawa, Gavin Okada, and Kalani Lagoc-Crawford were named to the 2005 United States All World Series Team and Kash Kalohelani, Ryan Cortez, and Ryan Yamane were named to the 2005 All Defensive Team;

Whereas on August 5, 2005, the Hawaii Warriors won the 2005 Continental Amateur Baseball Association World Series (ages 9-under) championship game;